

# Women Poets in Santa Clara County Poetry Competition Rules and Mail in Entry Form

**Sponsored by the National League of American Pen Women (NLAPW)  
Competition for NON-NLAPW WOMEN POETS in Santa Clara County**

Women poets of Santa Clara County are invited to enter a competition held by the NLAPW. Three professional poet judges will judge the entries. Winners will be invited to read their winning poems at a public event to be held at the Headen-Inman Museum House. 1st Prize **\$200**; 2nd Prize **\$150**; 3rd Prize **\$75**; two honorable mentions will receive certificates. The competition is for *non-members of the NLAPW*.

**DEADLINE: March 22, 2025**

**Winners notified by April 25, 2025**

**Awards Reception: May 17, 2025**

**Questions: Contact Lorraine Gabbert at [mgabbert@comcast.net](mailto:mgabbert@comcast.net)**

## **RULES:**

1. Santa Clara County women poets, who are not currently members of the NLAPW, may submit up to two poems for an entry fee of \$25, or up to four poems for an entry fee of \$40.
2. Entry fees may be made by check, Venmo, or Pay Pal.
  - a. **Make checks payable to “NLAPW”** and **mail to:** NLAPW Poetry Contest, Attn: Tonya McQuade, Treasurer, 1455 Portobelo Drive, San Jose, CA 95118.
  - b. Send **Venmo payments** to: @Tonya-McQuade-1, with “NLAPW Poetry Contest” in Memo, last four phone digits “1121” (if needed).
  - c. To pay by **PayPal**, visit the website: [www.NLAPWsantaclara.org](http://www.NLAPWsantaclara.org). Click on DONATE NOW. Add an additional \$2 if paying by PayPal.
3. All entries must be the sole and original work of the woman poet. No AI-generated or partially AI-generated poems will be accepted.
4. Each individual poem may be up to 200 lines in length, with no format restrictions.
5. Poetry entries and entry forms may be **submitted online** at [www.NLAPWsantaclara.org](http://www.NLAPWsantaclara.org) or **emailed** to: [mgabbert@comcast.net](mailto:mgabbert@comcast.net), or **mailed** to Lorraine Gabbert, 547 Tuscarora, San Jose, CA 95123. Questions, call Lorraine at: 408-836-4132
6. Female poets of all ages are welcome and encouraged to enter the competition.
7. Scroll down for the Mail-in form.



## MAIL IN FORM

**Poetry Competition - Deadline for Entries: March 22, 2025.**

***Calling all Women Poets in Santa Clara County***

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**Winners will be notified by April 25, 2025**

First and Last Name: \*

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Mailing Address: \*

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Email Address: \*

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Phone Number: \*

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Title(s) of competition entry or entries (please separate each entry title with semi-colons) \*

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Additional title(s) of competition entry or entries (please separate each entry title with semi-colons) \*

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How to submit: See #2 and #5 on the Rules Page. \*

\$25 - One to two entries (add \$2 if paying by PayPal)

\$40 - Three to four entries (add \$2 if paying by PayPal)

**Poet's name, acknowledging she has abided by all competition rules.  
See above for the rules.**

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